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SUBJECT: UNCTAD: VIEWS OF NEW SYG

BEGIN SUMMARY: IN CONVERSATION WITH MISSION OFFICERS, NEW UNCTAD SYG GAMINI COREA TERMED SPECIAL SESSION OF UNGA A SUCCESS BECAUSE OF ADOPTION OF SPECIAL FUND PROGRAM. HE ALSO SAID HE HOPED HE COULD GET UNCTAD TO CONCENTRATE ON A FEW KEY ISSUES, NOTABLY PROBLEMS OF PRIMARY COMMODITIES, AND EXPRESSED HOPE OF IMPROVING RELATIONS WITH GATT ON MTN, WHICH UNCTAD SECRETARIAT CONSIDERS LESS THAN SATISFACTORY. END SUMMARY

1. SPECIAL SESSION. COREA THOUGHT SPECIAL SESSION WAS A SUCCESS BECAUSE OF ADOPTION SPECIAL FUND PROGRAM IN UN. HE SAID WALDHEIM BELIEVES SESSION SHOWED UN CAN MEET QUICKLY ON IMPORTANT ISSUE AND TAKE CONCRETE ACTION. HOWEVER, COREA REGRETTEED THAT MORE EMPHASIS HAD NOT BEEN PUT ON PRIMARY COMMODITIES; COMMODITIES HAD BEEN EMPHASIZED IN ACTION PROGRAM PREPARED BY LDOS IN GENEVA BUT GROUP OF 77 IN NY PREFERRED PROGRAM WITH BROADER SCOPE. HE ALSO SAID INACTION ON US \$4 BILLION PROPOSAL WAS UN-  
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FORTUNATE; HE THOUGHT PROPOSAL HAD BEEN INTRODUCED TOO

LATE,AFTER POSITION OF 77 WAS TOO FROZEN.

2. UNCTAD ACTIVITIES. COREA SAID HE WAS STRUCK BY EXTENT OF UNCTAD ACTIVITIES, I.E. ISSUES COVERED AND LARGE NUMBER OF MEETINGS.HE WOULD LIKE TO CONCENTRATE ON A FEW KEY ISSUES BUT RECOGNIZES THIS MAY NOT BE ATTAINABLE BECAUSE OF DIVERSITY OF INTERESTS AMONG GROUP OF 77. HE AGAIN MENTIONED IMPORTANCE OF PRIMARY COMMODITIES AND NEED FOR A GENERAL RATHER THAN COMMODITY-BY-COMMODITY APPROACH TO STABILIZE EXPORT EARNINGS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. HE WAS SKEPTICAL ABOUT CURRENT SERIES OF COMMODITY CONSULTATIONS AND APPEARED SURPRISED WHEN WE POINTED OUT LDCS AT CONSULTATIONS ARE PLACING MORE EMPHASIS ON PROCESSED PRODUCTS THAN ON RAW MATERIALS.

3. MTN. COREA SAID HIS STAFF NOT SATISFIED WITH RELATIONS WITH GATT SECRETARIAT ON MTN AND HE HOPED TO IMPROVE THEM. UNCTAD WANTS TO BE PRESENT AT NON-NEGOTIATING MEETINGS OF TNC GROUPS AND GET DOCUMENTS DIRECTLY FROM GATT SECRETARIAT RATHER THAN FROM FRIENDLY DELS. WE SUGGESTED HE WOULD HAVE TO DISCUSS MEETINGS ISSUE WITH OTHERS THAN US. DALE

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